



THE RICE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
408 Division Street, Northfield, MN 55057

2001 Fall Issue

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#### MEETING DATES:

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followed by work on the newsletter - Northfield.

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The Depot. 2:00 short meeting at the Rice Co. Historical  
Society Museum.

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#### OFFICERS:

President.....Veronica Grant  
Vice President.....Audrey DeMann  
Acting Secretary.....Dorothy Herkenratt  
Treasurer.....Dorothy Herkenratt

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for an individual and \$12 for a family.  
The newsletter is included with membership

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Luana Bauer, 42581 20th Ave., Nersstrand, MN 55053 Ph.: 507-789-6541 e.mail: lmbau@clear.lakes.com

MINNESOTA 1870 CENSUS INDEX, edited by Raeone C. Stewart, Bountiful, Utah, Heritage Quest, 2000  
This one-volume printed census index was purchased by the Northfield Public Library in December of 2000. Upon examination, we find that Rice County was not included. Surrounding counties, such as Steele, Waseca, LeSueur and Dakota, are included.

In January 2001, the Heritage Quest publisher was contacted by phone. They offered to index Rice County, reprint a new edition and send a new copy to the Northfield Library.

The Forward Note referred to a map of Minnesota, but it was missing also.

A good deal of information is given in each entry of the index. After the surname, the first name of head of household is given, along with state or country of birth, age, county of residence, township and page number.

The page numbers are given either for the M... microfilm series, or the T... microfilm series. There are two numbering systems, so be sure to check the 1870 microfilm boxes to determine the correct page number.

#### ITEMS WANTED FOR THE RICE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY'S COLLECTION:

The following items are wanted for additions to the genealogical collection in the new Marston Headley Research Room at the Northfield Historical Society Museum:

- High school yearbooks for high schools in Rice County
- Elementary and high school class lists and photos
- St. Olaf College and Carleton College yearbooks
- Parochial school yearbooks
- Church yearbooks/picture books
- Rice County city and county directories
- Rice County maps
- Township maps
- Old telephone directories from Rice County and surrounding areas

If you see any of the above items at book sales, garage sales, or when cleaning out your own collections, think genealogy and preservation. The Rice County Genealogical Society would welcome any of the above items from Rice County as well as yearbooks, directories, telephone books, school and church directories from the counties surrounding Rice, i.e., Goodhue, Dodge, Steele, Waseca, LeSueur, Scott and Dakota.

#### SOME RESEARCH SITES LOCATED IN RICE COUNTY:

Northfield Historical Society Museum	408 Division Street	Northfield, MN 55057
Rice County Historical Society Museum	1814 NW 2nd Avenue	Faribault, MN 55021
Northfield Public Library	210 Washington Street	Northfield, MN 55057
Buckham Memorial Library	11 East Division Street	Faribault, MN 55021
Rice County Government Center	320 NW 3rd Street	Faribault, MN 55021
Carleton College	One North College Street	Northfield, MN 55021
St. Olaf College	1520 St. Olaf Avenue	Northfield, MN 55021
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	902 SW 17th Street	Faribault, MN 55021

Appointments should be made with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormon) to make sure it is open and that there is someone there to assist you.

St. Olaf College has an outstanding collection for those researching their Scandinavian background, especially those of Norwegian descent.

Township archives can be researched by contacting and making arrangements with the township clerk.



### LIST OF TOWNSHIP CLERKS IN RICE COUNTY:

<u>TOWNSHIP:</u>	<u>NAME OF CLERK:</u>	<u>ADDRESS:</u>		
Bridgewater	Geraldine Reuvers	11285 Babcock Ave.	Dundas	55019
Cannon City	Dale borgstahl	18221 Cabot Ave.	Faribault	55021
Erin	Sharon Kaisershot	11560 Kanabec Trail	Montgomery	56069
Forest	Stan Burmeister	13591 Fox Lake Trail	Faribault	55021
Morristown	Del Voegelé	22274 Jackson Ave.	Morristown	55052
Northfield	Marjorie Randolph	11731 90th St. East	Northfield	55057
Richland	David Derscheid	26300 Goodhue Ave.	Kenyon	55946
Shieldsville	Jennifer Murphy	9742 Dodd Road	Kilkenny	56052
Walcott	Benet Freund	4311 240th St. East	Faribault	55021
Webster	Arnold Pavak	6510 30th St. West	Elko	55020
Wells	Marlene E. Pohl	15687 Dover Trail	Faribault	55021
Wheatland	Clarence L. Salaba	9376 60th St. West	Lonsdale	55046
Wheeling	Bill Bonde	12085 Nerstrand Blvd.	Nerstrand	55053

### LIST OF VILLAGE CLERKS IN RICE COUNTY:

<u>VILLAGE:</u>	<u>NAME OF CLERK:</u>	<u>ADDRESS:</u>		
Dundas	Judy Becker	Dundas City Clerk 305 Railway St. South	Dundas	55019
Lonsdale	Joyce Skluzacek	Lonsdale City Clerk 115 Alabama St. SW P. O. Box 357	Lonsdale	55046
Morristown	Virginia Schmidtke	Morristown City Clerk P. O. Box 362	Morristown	55052
Nerstrand		Nerstrand City Clerk 221 Main St.	Nerstrand	55053

### 1908 TO 1946 INDEX OF DEATH CERTIFICATES NOW ONLINE:

A news article appeared on July 18, 2001 stating that the MN Historical Society now has an online index of death certificates for deaths in the state from 1908 to 1946. Until now, people tracing family histories had to know the date and place of a family member's death to track down a death certificate which often contains a wealth of information about the deceased's life and death, including the date and place of birth, marital status, spouse's name, occupation and other family history. However, remember that all information on a death certificate is not always accurate—it depends upon the reliability of the person who furnishes it.

MN is one of the first states to have an index of death certificates available online. The Web address furnished is <http://people.mnhs.org/dci>.

## INDEX OF BIRTH RECORD OF RICE CO. MINN.

FIRST 25 LINES OF A-B-C AND D IN THE FIRST BOOK

ANDYKE LEWIS R.	SEPT 27 1870
ANSTON MARTIN S.	July 05 "
ARMSTRONG THERESA M.	MAR 23 "
ALDRICH GEORGE	APR 15 "
ANDERKE SOPHIA R.	MAR 01 "
ACHILLIS BERTHA SOPHIA	APR 13 "
ANDERSON WILHELM	JUNE 24 "
ANDERSON MARTIN J.	JUNE 30 "
ADAMS	NOV 23 "
ALBA	NOV 27 "
ANDERSON HATIEV K.	AUG 14 "
ACHTERKIRCH EMMA	July 28 "
ACKMANN HENRY WM C	FEB 17 "
ACHILLIS ANNA MARIA EMMA	SEPT 27 "
ALDRICH OLIVIA L.	AUG 19 1871
ALDRICH	DEC 16 "
ADAMS JOHN QUINCY	MAR 21 "
ANDREWS LUCY M.	July 17 "
ALBERS FREDERICK	July 27 "
ARCHAMBAULT ORA LEE	NOV 29 "
ARCHAMBAULT ALVINE E.	NOV 29 "
ANDERKE SOPHIE W C	FEB 23 1872
ANDERSON GUSTAVE	July 12 "
ANDERSON ALBERT	APR 21 "
ANDREWS ROSE J.	NOV 17 1871

CARON OCTAVE	SEPT 20 1870
CLARK	OCT 13 "
CASSIDY CATHERINE	AUG 10 "
CASSIDY	JAN 17 "
COOLEY MARY BERTHA	AUG 07 "
CLARKIN EDWARD	OCT 05 "
CASSIDY	DEC 19 "
CASEY ELLEN	JUNE 12 "
CONWELL LOUIS	JAN 02 "
CRIVEN MARY	FEB 04 "
CRUIKSHANK GEORGE	JAN 01 "
CLOSE BENJAMINE F	MAR 24 "
CLARK BERTHA A	July 29 "
COATS MARTHA IRENA	AUG 25 "
CORLEY	DEC 13 "
COOK	DEC 26 "
CUTS HAMPDEN	July 27 "
CASTLE ASEL	FEB 09 "
CURREN ELIZABETH A	MAY 28 "
COMALL CLARENCE	July 24 "
CARPENTER	NOV 21 "
CULHANE DANIEL	MAY 02 "
CULHANE MARY E	OCT 23 "
CLAUSON EMIL	July 31 "
CARUFEL LOUIS H	JUNE 01 1871

BARE ALEXANDER	JUNE 21 1870
BURRINGTON IDA K.	MAR 30 "
BRAND ERNEST A	July 09 "
BLEVINS WILLIAM BURTON	MAR 13 "
BROWN CHARLES ADELBERT	SEPT 08 "
BAILEY FRANCES M	July 27 "
BARTLETT CARRIE ELIZABETH	MAR 14 "
BELL ARMINA JANE	FEB 10 "
BOSSHART HANNAH ELIZABETH	JAN 01 "
BOSSHART	DEC 11 "
BILL CORA C	AUG 15 "
BATES JESSIE	JUNE 17 "
BUNDY SYDNEY S	JUNE 26 "
BECKER MATHIAS	DEC 24 "
BLACKMAN MARGARET N	FEB 26 "
BICKNELL ELLA EUNICE	MAY 29 "
BATES FRED S	MAY 08 "
BINGHAM ARTHUR	July 06 "
BOON GEORGE	SEPT 05 "
BACON JOHN WALTER	SEPT 19 "
BACKLEY ELIZABETH	FEB 27 "
BULTMANN HENRY F W	SEPT 07 "
BOSSARD GEORGE	JAN 05 "
BAUERNFEIND RACHEL MARGARET	July 12 "
BREED HAUCE E	JAN 12 "

DELANIER ARMANE	NOV 01 1870
DUCHENE MARY JULIANNA	JUNE 30 "
DAVIS CARRA	SEPT 14 "
DUNN CARRIE J	JUNE 05 "
DIETS WILLIAM	JAN 21 "
DOUBLAS	OCT 04 "
DONALDSON DANIEL J	JUNE 30 "
DEVANY JULIA	OCT 04 "
DAWS	NOV 05 "
DRAKE	NOV 21 "
DUVAL JAMES WALLACE	AUG 12 "
DROUGHT RALPH	SEPT 28 "
DURKING CARL ALBERT	SEPT 11 "
DURLAND	MAY 22 "
DURLAND	OCT 18 "
DIETTES MARY ANN	" "
DIETTES	" "
DENNEY	OCT 20 "
DINGMAN EVA	JAN 13 "
DEVEREAUX WILLIAM	NOV 20 1871
DAVIS EASTER MAY	AUG 22 "
DARGOOD TYPHANNIE	SEPT - "
DAWS KETTIE MAY	AUG 01 "
DELCOUX MARY	MAR 05 "
DUNN JOHN	NOV 15 "



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ANDYKE LOUIS	DET 26 1870
AUSTIN MARTIN	AUG 02 "
AUSTIN ELLA	SEPT 03 "
ANDERSON OLE	DEC 04 "
ALDRICH SOLOMON	JUNE 11 1872
ADAMS EBEN	JULY 06 1873
ANGELICI LENORA	SEPT 30 "
ADAMS TIMOTHY K	JUNE 06 "
ANDREAS GUSTAV	MAY 30 "
ANDERSON SWEN	DET 10 "
ARCHIBALD WM H	JAN 10 1874
ANDREWS ISAL	MAR 11 "
ANDERSON OLE	SEPT 09 "
AMENDSON BERDIETA	NOV 16 "
ALLEN	DEC 04 1875
ALBEE J P	JULY 01 "
ALBEE	FEB 03 "
ALBERS ADELINE	JAN 01 "
ARCHIBALD JOHN S	FEB 03 "
ALDRICH	NOV 18 "
ANDERSON CARRIE	AUG 04 "
ANDERSON MARY	JUNE 09 "
ALMEDA	NOV 26 "

BRAND LORRAINE	FEB 01 1870
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BOSSART MARY	DET 01 "
BEACH ELIZABETH	AUG 23 "
BOYINGTON DAVID	APR 06 "
BEACH LUMAN	JULY 24 "
BIAS CELIA	SEPT 19 "
BEACH WILBERT	MAR 26 "
BALON GEORGE WRIGHT	AUG 28 "
BARTHOFF E H	NOV 11 "
BONDE THOMAS	DET 15 1871
BIRGET	SEPT 23 "
BOSSHARD WILHELMINE	JAN 26 "
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BALDWIN IRVINE	JULY 26 "
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## HELP WANTED

All members are encouraged to place queries in this section of our newsletter. There is no charge and no limit to the numbers of queries per year. They will be printed as space permits and as soon as possible after they are received. Please type, print or write clearly. Words should be written in full to minimize errors. We may at our discretion use some abbreviations. Non-members will be charged a fee of \$5 per entry.

#1-2001 William Straub, 3476 N. Dousman - Station A, Milwaukee, WI 53212  
< billoron@att.net >

Searching for descendants of

Jacob GRUBER b. 1823 Bloomsburg, PA mar. Lydia STRAUB b. 1825 Bloomsburg, PA  
Sons: Martin E. Gruber b. 1862 Rice Co., MN - d. OR in 1946 - mar. Carrie Smith  
EDDY. Where? When?

George Sherman GRUBER b. 1867 in Steele Co., MN

Also searching for descendants of

Edward STRAUB d. 1913 Hopkins, MN.

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#2-2001 Dorothy Chester Herkenratt, 2405 NW 2nd Ave., Faribault, MN 55021  
Need copies of photographs of the following people:

Arthur Irvin DRAKE b. 1 Feb. 1854 Chillicothe, MO - d. 15 June 1931 Northfield, MN  
mar. 10 Sept. 1885 Ida SMITH b. 26 July 1866 Cascade, Goodhue Co., MN

Joseph Edwin DRAKE b. 22 Jan. 1856 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 7 Sept 1938  
Northfield - mar. 2 Dec. 1879 Selina SPRIGGS b. 11 Nov. 1859 Avon, Lorain Co., OH  
d. 14 Feb. 1930 Northfield

Martha Isabel DRAKE b. 7 Oct. 1859 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 1936  
Northfield -mar. William Henry HARRISON b. 1854 - d. 12 Oct. 1888 Dell Rapids, SD  
Mary Elsie DRAKE b. 11 Mar. 1862 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - mar. Frank  
BULLOCK

Stella Amaret DRAKE b. 7 Feb. 1864 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - mar. 30 Mar.  
1887 Herbert Ashley WHITTIER b. 5 Nov. 1863 - d. 23 Jan. 1932 Long Beach, CA  
Charles Sumner DRAKE b. 1 Oct. 1866 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 16 Jan.  
1867 of smallpox

Agnes Ruth DRAKE b. 21 Nov. 1870 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 16 Feb. 1970  
Rugby, ND - mar. 18 Mar. 1897 Charles Henry WIRTZ b. 1 Dec. 1864 Germany - d. 8  
Apr. 1958 Rugby, ND

Will Elmer DRAKE b. 4 Sept. 1874 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 10 Oct 1937 -  
mar. 12 Apr. 1923 Clara Belle CANEDY b. 6 Apr. 1891 - d. 14 Sept 1986

Have copies of photos for exchange:

Sumner Ernest DRAKE b. 18 Dec. 1867 Bridgewater Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 25 July  
1925 Northfield - mar. 14 Nov. 1894 Florence Maud TAYLOR b. 1 Feb. 1872 Forest,  
Forest Twp., Rice Co., MN - d. 27 June 1951, Northfield.

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## NOTICE OF PLANNED TRIP

Mark your calendars!!!! We are planning a trip!!!!

Destination: MN Genealogical Society Library  
5768 Olson Memorial Hwy.  
(on the north frontage road of Hwy. 55)  
Golden Valley, MN

Date: October 17, 2001 the 3rd Wednesday

Times: 9:00 a.m. meet for carpooling and leave from the  
Northfield Historical Society Museum  
408 Division Street, Northfield, MN  
2:00 p.m. leave the Twin Cities to return to Northfield

What to bring: a sack lunch and your materials for recording your research results.

Your contact persons are :

Veronica Grant	507-645-8960
Audrey DeMann	507-645-6278



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print)

Name

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Address

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Phone      (    )

Type of Membership:    \_\_\_\_ Individual    \$10 per calendar  
year

                                 \_\_\_\_ Family        \$12 per calendar  
year

\_\_\_\_ I would like to make an additional donation of  
\$\_\_\_\_\_ to

help the Society meet its goals.

Please make check payable to and send with this  
application to:

Rice County Genealogical Society  
408 Division Street  
Northfield, MN 55057

Form 7/2001

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Rice County Genealogical Society  
408 Division Street  
Northfield, MN 55057

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